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From:

Legal Title

Behavioral Sciences Fund

Legal Citation/Authority

Chapter 659, Statutes of 2006 (SB 1475)

Business and Professions Code sections 4984 – 4984.9; 4989.68-4989.70; and 4999.10-4999.122

Fund Classification

GAAP Basis

Governmental/Special Revenue Funds

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Legal Basis

Governmental/Other Governmental Cost Funds

Purpose

The purpose of the fund is to provide for the costs of licensing and regulating associate clinical social workers, licensed clinical social workers, licensed marriage and family therapists, marriage and family therapist interns, licensed professional clinical counselors, professional clinical counselor interns, and licensed educational psychologists. All collections by the board are deposited in the fund.

Administering Agency/Organization Code

Department of Consumer Affairs- Regulatory Boards/Org 1110

Major Revenue Source

Application fees, license fees and penalties related to the practice of behavioral sciences.

Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)

Pursuant to Government Code 16346, in absence of language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

Appropriation Authority

Section 4990.22 of the Business and Professions Code appropriates the Board of Behavioral Sciences to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

State Appropriations Limit

Excluded – Revenues in this fund are not proceeds of taxes, however, when transferred, may become proceeds of taxes. These revenues are used to regulate the activities engaged in by the payers.

Comments/Historical Information

Chapter 1348, Statutes of 1968 established the Social Worker and Marriage Counselor Fund as a successor to the Registered Social Workers' Fund. All funds in the Registered Social Workers' Fund, the Marriage Counselors' Fund and the Certified Clinical Social Workers' Fund were transferred to the Social Worker and Marriage Counselor Fund.

Chapter 760, Statutes of 1970 changed the name of the fund to its present title, the Behavioral Science Examiners Fund, and the name of the administering agency to the Board of Behavioral Science Examiners.

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Chapter 1305, Statutes of 1970 amended the code by adding the function of licensing educational psychologists to the duties of the board.

Chapter 619, Statutes of 2009 amended the Code by establishing licensed professional clinical counselors and professional clinical counselor interns under the jurisdiction of the Board.

The Board of Behavioral Sciences administers this fund within the Department.

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